

TWO SOLDIERS END LIVES IN ISLANDS

Musician and Hospital Corps Member Commit Suicide in Philippines.

Apparently discontented with their lot of serving Uncle Sam in the Philippines, two soldiers have committed suicide. John Thomas, whose job was to beat the big bass in the bang-up brass band of the Fifteenth Infantry, ended his life December 4, according to a cablegram received by Major General Alinsworth, military secretary of the War Department, from Major General Wood, commanding the Philippine division.

Three days after this tragedy, Morton Davis, a private in Company E, of the same regiment, dropped dead of heart disease. Exactly four days following this on December 11—George F. Timm, a private in the Hospital Corps, also took his own life.

KANSAN BEATS LAW WITH BEER IN PLUGS

Extract of Amber Liquid Gets by Health Board of State.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 17.—Extract of beer, put up in the form of plugs like tobacco, is what the thirsty Kansan may use now to quench his thirst. One plug will make from four to six gallons of what is poetically termed the amber liquid. The manufactured beer seems to have all the qualities, good and bad, of that which is made from real hops and put in bottles and kegs.

The Kansas State board of health has inspected the extract and finds there are no adulterants or preservatives in it. The company which is to push the product guarantees its purity. The State prohibition laws and the Federal revenue laws have at least been surmounted.

NATIONAL UNION, NO. 205, NAMES COUNCIL OFFICERS

The officers for 1907, of Washington Council No. 205, National Union, will be: President, Frank C. Stratton; vice president, W. D. Brown; ex-officio president, F. W. Blazer; speaker, T. H. Dawson; secretary, M. Thorne; financial secretary, R. D. Rush; treasurer, F. B. Curtis; chaplain, Ed Dillon, Jr.; usher, J. P. Myers; sergeant, A. D. Williamson; doorkeeper, W. D. Slaughter; organist, Ed Muth; trustees, R. C. Cheesman, A. J. Wagstaff, and S. C. Smoot; delegates to cabinet, J. P. Myers, H. Loran, and P. W. Blazer; delegate to immediate relief association, F. R. Curtis.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH BAZAAR.

A Christmas bazaar will be held in the Ninth Christian Church, corner Ninth and D streets northeast, December 18, 19, and 20, by the ladies of the Ninth Street Christian Church. The booths will be beautifully decorated. Dolls and fancy articles of every description will be for sale.

MOTHERS TO MEAR ABOUT COURTS

The Mothers' Club will hold a meeting at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at 322 Sixth street northwest, the topic for discussion being "Juvenile Courts." The Rev. Zed H. Copp will be the principal speaker for the afternoon.

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TEACHER WHIPS BOLD ROBBER

Head of Primary School Saves Month's Salary by Courage.

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 17.—Miss Anna Pechin, a teacher in the primary department of the Upper Merion schools, narrowly escaped being a victim of a highwayman.

After receiving her month's salary Miss Pechin started to drive to town. When near Gulf Mills she saw a man standing in a lonely spot. He leaped for the horses' heads and caught hold of the bridle. As the horses came to a stop the highwayman seized Miss Pechin by the left arm and attempted to pull her out of the carriage.

Then the teacher seized the whip and hit the man over the head several times, compelling him to release her arm. She soon got the horses into a run and escaped.

BABY BOY SMOKER CRIES FOR PIPE

Has Had Tobacco Habit Since He Was Eighteen Months Old.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 17.—Officers of the Lowell Humane Society found a three-year-old child who is a confirmed smoker and has used daily a cornoc pipe since he was eighteen months old. The child is Andre, the son of Albert Beaulieu. When the officers took his pipe away he screamed with anger and aroused the neighborhood.

Mrs. Beaulieu, who is eighteen years old, said she didn't know tobacco would hurt the child. She promised to try to cure Andre of the tobacco habit, and it was decided to allow him to remain at home. Mrs. Beaulieu says Andre smokes nearly two packages of tobacco each week.

FENALL CADETS ISSUE BOLD DEFY

The Fendall Cadets, who claim the lightweight title of this city, in basketball, want a schedule for January. The Cadets claim to have the best 110-pound team of the district. Their ability was shown when they defeated the Yankees for the lightweight championship.

The Fendalls have defeated teams much heavier than themselves and their last game was with Peck Chapel, which they outpointed by the score of 18 to 8. The Capital City League team was thirty pounds heavier, but the Cadets won by their excellent team work. The Cadets will defend their title against all 110-pound teams. Address J. Keane, 2307 Olive avenue northwest.

WATCHING FOR DESERTERS.

The Police Department has been notified to keep a lookout for W. H. Smith, 331 Eleventh street southeast; Charles L. Litherfield, 482 Second street southeast; John J. Lyette, 25 B street northwest; Frank C. Wilkins and W. McK. Smith, deserters from the army. A reward of \$20 each is offered for the arrest of one, and one of \$10 for the last man.

Florida and Carolina Resorts.

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What! No Santa Claus? Why, of Course There Is

Chubby Anacostia Tot Tramps All the Way From Home to Washington's Shopping District to Prove He Is No Myth.

Her little mind aglow with the righteous indignation against tiny Tommy Brennan, who sneered and said: "Of course there ain't no Santa Claus. He's a big fake and your fadder jes' makes believe," a chubby baby girl of four years yesterday afternoon toddled all the way from Anacostia into the heart of Washington's shopping district to convince herself that the beloved old man was not a myth.

With a grimy and tattered mischievous grin she had walked all the way to the North Pole, where the reindeers lived that drew the sleigh full of presents, the little girl blandly informed a policeman that her name was Marion Earle, and that a "nice man had given her a big candy cane and sugar elephant in a bag, but she had eaten them."

The patrolman laughed at the dignity

of the four-year-old, but the laugh changed to incredulity when he heard her mention Anacostia, for it is a long walk for a toddling miss who is shopping on Seventh street. In vain he tried to induce her to accompany him to the police station, bribes of candy and fruit proving futile. The candy elephant had usurped the appetite, but had only whetted the desire to see Santa Claus. She finally gave him the note:

"Dear Mister Santa Claus: Tommy Brennan says there ain't no Santa Claus. I know there is. I will write you another letter soon and tell you what I want."

Assured by "Santy."

She was gently assured that Santy was real and that he would surely visit her home.

And Baby Marion then accompanied the policeman to the station, and won the love of every blue-coated officer there before her frantic parents finally hastened in and tenderly carried her back home.

SMOKER IN MINE CAUSES FOUR DEATHS

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 17.—A desire to smoke a cigarette in a gaseous portion of the Buttonwood colliery of the Parrish Coal Company caused the explosion in which four men were killed and several injured.

Some of the men who escaped admitted that miners often opened their safety lamps, which is contrary to law, in order to light their cigarettes, and that this is the reason why the lamp of one of the dead men was found open. The jury in its verdict on the case today recommended that in future the company permit only locked safety lamps to be used in the workings.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TALKS TO Y. M. C. A. MEMBERS

Aristocracy based on wealth alone was characterized as the meanest in the world by Dr. Charles Bayard Mitchell, of Cleveland, Ohio, in an address yesterday afternoon before a large audience at the Young Men's Christian Association. Success in this class, declared Dr. Mitchell, is not judged by moral worth, but by business success and money.

A. A. Zimmerman, before an audience of boys, gave an interesting talk on "Big Things," in which he described President McKinley as a representative type of big man, and Christ as the biggest of all. The talk was illustrated with stereopticon views.

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HARDMAN UP. Piano, rosewood case, large size.	\$250	
HARDMAN UP. Piano, fancy art case.	350	
WEBER, mahogany case Upright, latest design, used few months.	375	
STIFF oak, Upright Piano, in fine order.	190	
LESTER Upright Piano, ebonyized case, large size.	200	
VOSE Upright Piano, large size.	100	
BRADLEY Upright Piano, fancy case.	150	
HAILETON Upright, large size, fine shape, mah. case.	250	
KIMBALL, mahogany case.	250	
KRACH & BACH UP. Piano, largest size, mah. case.	250	
KRAKAUER, large size, like new.	250	
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DR. SHOULTERS BURIED WITH MASONIC HONORS

Burial services for Dr. G. H. Shoulter, who died Friday at his residence, 719 Eleventh street northwest, were performed at 1:30 p. m., today by the Columbia Commandery, No. 2, Knights Templar, and the services at the grave were conducted by members of the H. B. French Lodge, No. 15, F. A. A. M. Impressive services for Dr. Shoulter were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Pro-Cathedral Church of the Ascension by the Rev. Clement Brown, rector, following which the body was removed to the Scottish Rite Temple, where the kadosh funeral services were held at midnight. The ceremony was conducted by Venerable Master of Kadosh E. E. Simpson, while A. L. Ryan, Emmet Carter, Leslie Cramer, J. H. Trimble, E. E. Simpson, and H. E. Bittinger were pallbearers at the church services.

FALSE ALARM OF FIRE CALLS OUT DEPARTMENT

Another false alarm of fire was turned in early this morning, and the police are without a clue as to the identity of the miscreant. Shortly before 7 o'clock box 513, Pennsylvania avenue and Seventh street southeast, was pulled. When the department arrived not a single evidence of fire could be discovered.

WILL PITCH TENT ON TOP OF HOUSE

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17.—"We don't want any little cozy corner," chants the Auer family, with chorus effect. To prove it they are going to tuck their pillows under their arms and scramble up to the roof to sleep after this week. Gen. Louis Auer and Mrs. Auer and the two small Auers expect to look like after-eating health food advertisements.

Last summer the Auer family lived in tents for months. "We like it so well that we are going to try it for the winter," says General Auer. "We are going to rig up our tent on the flat part of the roof. O, I guess we'll be able to stand it."

General Auer is the man who built a flat for prospective parents and offered a month's rent for each babe born there, and capped the climax by erecting another flat for "spooners," giving rent for a month to each tenant who wed.

"555-55-5-B. & O." The "Daylight Train," a solid vestibule flyer leaving 8:00 a. m., reaching Wheeling 7:40 p. m., Cincinnati, 11:50 p. m., St. Louis 8:45 a. m., has immediate connection to Pittsburgh 5:05 p. m., Akron 8:45 p. m., Cleveland 10:00 p. m., Chicago 7:45 a. m., via the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Dinner Decorations Are a Specialty with Shaffer, 14th & I. Reasonable prices.

SYRACUSE JUNIORS NOT FOR PHILLY

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 17.—According to a prominent member of Syracuse University athletic governing board, no junior crew will be sent to Philadelphia next year.

Syracuse won the junior college event last year. When asked regarding the matter by a Post-Standard representative, Coach Tom Eyck said: "It is a little early to talk of crew matters yet. One thing is certain, no junior crew will be sent to the races at Philadelphia. The reason for this is that it breaks up the varsity crew just a short time before changing their ground. I would be taking men out of the varsity boat not say that it hurt the varsity crew last year, but it is liable to hurt it, and we don't want to take any chances. The best is none too good for the varsity race."

"I would be in favor, however, of sending a varsity crew to the American Regatta races. I think it would be a good thing. Yale and Pennsylvania have sent crews there in other years. We would be willing to meet any varsity crew that might be there."

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